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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted with this letter is

- (1) an amendment;
- (2) Petition for Extension of Time and Payment Fee;
- (3) Request for Continued Examination;
- (4) Check No. <u>8875</u> for \$840 (RCE fee and extension fee) and
- (5) a return postcard.
- B. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 501050. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS:

Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003. A Petition for Extension of Time and a Request for Continued Examination are being filed concurrently herewith. Please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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